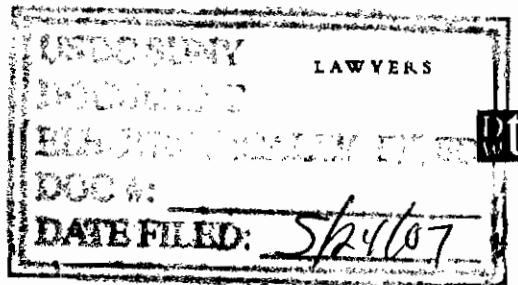


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**VIA FACSIMILE**

Honorable P. Kevin Castel  
United States District Judge  
United States Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, Room 2260  
New York, NY 10007

Re: Alper v. Hamer, 07 Civ. 2934

Dear Judge Castel:

We represent the defendants Dean Hamer and Random House, Inc. in the above-captioned matter. We write concerning the initial pretrial conference scheduled for June 1, 2007 at 3:45 p.m. Unfortunately, I am already scheduled to appear at an all-day mediation at JAMS that day.

I have spoken to plaintiff's counsel, Michael Corman, and he has consented to join this request in seeking a brief adjournment of the conference. Both Mr. Corman and I would be available on June 8 or, if that date is unsuitable to your honor, we are also available on June 15. This is the parties' first request for an adjournment of the initial pre-trial conference.

Sincerely,

  
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